Vacant posts in Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan

904. SHRI YALLA SESI BHUSHANA RAO: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a number of posts of non-teaching staff in Kendriya Vidyalayas and at the Headquarters of Kendriya Vidyalayas Sangathan remained unfilled since long due to non-availability of suitable candidates through employment exchanges; and

(b) if so, what steps are proposed to be taken to fill up these vacant posts?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L P. SHAHI): (a) and (b) In a large all India organisation like the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan, vacancies keep arising on account of promotion/resignation/retirement, transfer on deputation, etc. Soon after the occurence of vacancies, recruitment action is initiated to fill them up which is a continuous process. However, at no point of time, the number of posts laying vacant was unusually high.

Walk out in the meeting held between Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan Authorities and re-presentatives of All India Kendriya Vidyalaya Teachers Association

905. DR. NAGEN SAIKIA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of meetings of KVS authorities and officers held with delegation of All India Kendriya Vidyalaya Teachers Association during the academic session of 1988-89;

(b) what are the details of decision arrived at in each of these meetings;

(c) whether it is a fact that during a meeting held on the 5th April, 1989, AIKVTA representatives staged a walk out protesting against the uncompromising attitude of the Commissioner of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) and (b) A delegation of All India Kendriya Vidyalaya Teachers Association called on the Chairman, Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan on 28th November, 1988. The delegation had preliminary discussions on matters relating to transfer of teachers and principals, enhancement of promotional quota of teachers; pay scale of Music Teachers, teaching allowance to Laboratory Assistants; revival of cadre of Laboratory Assistants in Kendriya Vidyalayas; introduction of optional subjects like drawing, Music etc. in Secondary and Senior Secondary levels; provision of Class IV employees for school libraries; representation of employees of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan on the Board and payment of Salary to the teachers of Kendriya Vidyalayas who went on Mass Casual Leave in August 1984.

In pursuance of the above mentioned discussion, the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan decided that the requests for transfer of teachers suffering from terminal illness would be considered all through the year. Also, since a substantial proportion of teachers promoted/selected as PGT and Vice-Principal in 1988 did not join in the posting offered to them in distant states under the extant transfer guidelines, the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan has decided that these may be offered a posting in nearby States to the extent feasible. The matter regarding grant of teaching

allowance to Lab. Assistants has been taken up. The suggestion for increasing the pay scales of Music Teachers has not been found acceptable. Also, the suggestion for revival of the cadre of Laboratory Assistant, introduction of a larger number of subjects like Drawing, Music etc. at plus 2 stage and provision of class IV employee for School library have not been found acceptable.

(c) and (d) On a request from the General Secretary, AIKVTA for an informal meeting of representatives of the Association, the Commissioner, Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan agreed to meet them on 5th April, 1989 alongwith other Senior Officers of the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan. However, the General Secretary, AIKVTA alone attended this meeting in which he wanted to discuss cases of individual teachers and also questioned the policies of the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan. It was pointed out to him that, in accordance with the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (Recognition of Association) Rules, the Association should not espouse or support the cause of individual employees. In view of the intemperate behaviour and unco-operative attitude of the General Secretary of AIKVTA, the meeting could not continue.

Proposals pending with the U.G.C.

906. SHRI D. B. CHANDRE GOWDA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of the proposals of various Universities for better management pending clearance with the University Grants Commission; and

(b) what steps Government propose to take to expedite the pending proposals?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) and (b) No proposal of any University for better management is pending clearance with the University Grants Commission. However in pursuance of the thrust areas identified by the National Policy on Education 1986, the UGC has recently initiated a number of schemes in the higher education sector. The schemes initiated by the Commission for better management of the University system in the country include the following:

(i) Scheme of Autonomous colleges.

(ii) State Councils of Higher Education.

(iii) New Model of an Affiliating University.

(iv) Alterate management patterns for unversities.

(v) Inter-University Centres.

(vi) Accreditation and assessment machinery.

(vii) Performance Appraisal for teachers.

(viii) National qualifying test for appointment of Lecturers.

Purchase of Platform Tickets

907. SHRI HARVENDRA SINGH HANSPAL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Northern Railway has decided to take several steps including introduction of a permit system for purchase to platform tickets to control crowd at Railway Stations in Delhi;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether due to faulty planning and other basic amenities at the Railway Stations, the crowd remains at Railway Stations in Delhi; and